

DESCENDANTS OF JOSEPH BACKUS

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The name of the original immigrant was spelled "Backhouse" in the early records. It is not clear if this was the correct spelling or if early record keepers were merely attempting to record what they heard.

The more accepted modern day spelling is Backus.

1.JOSEPH BACKHOUSE

Joseph Backhouse was probabably born about 1780. His wife is unknown.

Known children of Joseph Backhouse.

2. (1). Pascal b. 1802
m.Virginia Jane Brown Sep 10 1829
3. (2). Joseph Jr. b.c. 1805
m.Sarah "Sallie" Brown
4. (3). Hanna b.c. 1820
m.Edward Brown

2.PASCAL BACKUS 1.JOSEPH BACKUS

Pascal Backus, a son of Joseph Backus Sr., was born in 1802. He married Virginia Jane Brown in Nicholas County VA (WV) September 10, 1829. Virginia, a daughter of Alexander and Mary "Polly" (Foster) Brown, was born in 1806.

Children of Pascal and Virginia Jane (Brown) Backus.

5. (1). Mary A. b.Jun 21 1830 d.Jun 22 1913
m.Andrew J. Rippetoe
6. (2). George W. b.Aug 19 1831 d.Aug 24 1908
m.Maria H. Dorsey Mar 15 1860
7. (3). Elizabeth b. 1833
8. (4). Hannah b. 1835
m.James H. Rippetoe
9. (5). Rebecca Jane b. 1837
m.Elverton P. Walker
10. (6). Jane b. 1842
11. (7). Rebecca J. b.Jul 17 1846 d.Nov 3 1906
m.William L. Waller Jan 31 1866
12. (8). Caroline b. 1850

3.JOSEPH BACKUS JR. 1.JOSEPH BACKUS

Joseph Backus Jr., a son of Joseph Backus Sr., was born about 1807. He married Sarah "Sallie" Brown in Nicholas County VA (WV) October 27, 1829. Sarah, a daughter of Alexander and Mary "Polly" (Foster) Brown, was born in 1809.

Children of Joseph Jr. and Sarah "Sallie" (Brown) Backus.

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| 13. | (1). | Henry | b. | 1831 |
| | | m.Mary A. ----- | | |
| 14. | (2). | Benjamin Franklin | b. | 1833 |
| | | m.Albina Dorsey Dec 18 1867 | | |
| 15. | (3). | Margaret | b. | 1835 |
| | | m.Levi H. Nutter Dec 24 1856 | | |
| 16. | (4). | Joseph Alexander | b. | 1838 |
| | | m.Mary Jane Brown 1860 | | |
| 17. | (5). | Isaac | b. | 1841 |
| | | m.Martha Malinda Hypes Oct 21 1858 | | |
| 18. | (6). | Mary "Polly" | b. | 1843 |
| | | m.Dempsey Baker | | |
| 19. | (7). | Alexander | | |
| 20. | (8). | John | | |
| 21. | (9). | Pascal | | |
| 22. | (10). | James | | |
| 23. | (11). | Franklin | | |

5.MARY A. BACKUS 2.PASCAL BACKUS 1.JOSEPH BACKUS

Mary A. Backus, a daughter of Pascal and Virginia Jane (Brown) Backus, was born June 21, 1830 and died June 21, 1913. She married Andrew J. Rippetoe. Andrew was born March 13, 1828 and died January 15, 1908.

Children of Andrew J. and Mary A. (Backus) Rippetoe.

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| 24. | (1). | Ann |
| | | m.Thomas C. Brown |
| 25. | (2). | Elizabeth |
| | | m.Webster Brown |

6.GEORGE W. BACKUS 2.PASCAL BACKUS 1.JOSEPH BACKUS

George W. Backus, a son of Pascal and Virginia Jane (Brown) Backus, was born August 19, 1831 and died August 24, 1908. He married Maria H. Dorsey March 15, 1860.

Children of George W. and Maria H. (Dorsey) Backus.

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| 26. | (1). | Cornelius D. |
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8.HANNAH BACKUS 2.PASCAL BACKUS 1.JOSEPH BACKUS

Hannah Backus, a daughter of Pascal and Virginia Jane (Brown) Backus, was born in 1835. She married James H. Rippetoe. James was born in Va in 1835 and died after 1862. The family is listed in the 1860 Clay County VA (WV) census. Hannah is listed as a head of a household in the 1870 Clay County census.

Children of James H. and Hannah (Backus) Rippetoe.

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| 27. | (1). | William L. | b.c. | 1856 |
|-----|------|------------|------|------|

28.	(2).	John C.	b.c.	1857
29.	(3).	Mary E.	b.c.	1858
30.	(4).	James P.	b.	1859
31.	(5).	George E.	b.c.	1861
32.	(6).	Virginia	b.c.	1863

13.HENRY A. BACKUS 3.JOSEPH BACKUS JR. 1.JOSEPH BACKUS

Henry A. Backus, a son of Joseph Jr. and Sarah "Sallie" (Brown) Backus, was born in 1831. He married mary A. -----.

Children of Henry A. and Mary A. Backus.

33.	(1).	Weldon W.		
34.	(2).	Adam Clark		
		m.Nancy Dorsey		
		m.----- McCutcheon		
35.	(3).	Bloomfield		
36.	(4).	George		
37.	(5).	Bedford		
38.	(6).	Fanny		
39.	(7).	Lola		

14.BENJAMIN FRANKLIN BACKUS 3.JOSEPH BACKUS JR. 1.JOSEPH BACKUS

Benjamin Franklin Backus, a son of Joseph Jr. and Sarah "Sallie" (Brown) Backus, was born in 1833. He married Albina Dorsey December 18, 1867. Albina, a daughter of Andrew and Charity (Fitzwater) Dorsey, was born in Nicholas County VA in 1842.

Children of Benjamin Franklin and Albina (Dorsey) Backus.

40.	(1).	Adam	b.c.	1856
41.	(2).	William	b.c.	1858
42.	(3).	Bloomfield	b.c.	1864
43.	(4).	Rufus G.	b.c.	1868
44.	(5).	Alice A.	b.	1870
45.	(6).	Alexadner		
		m.Madora Brock		

15.MARGARET BACKUS 3.JOSEPH BACKUS JR. 1.JOSEPH BACKUS

Margaret Backus, a daughter of Joseph Jr. and Sarah "Sallie" (Brown) Backus, was born in 1835. She married Levi H. Nutter December 24, 1856.

Children of Levi H. and Margaret (Backus) Nutter.

- 46. (1). Pascal
- 47. (2). Van
- 48. (3). John

16.JOSEPH ALEXANDER BACKUS 3.JOSEPH BACKUS JR. 1.JOSEPH BACKUS

Joseph Alexander Backus, a son of Joseph Jr. and Sarah "Sallie" (Brown) Backus, was born in Nicholas County VA in 1838. He married Mary Jane Brown in 1860. Mary, a daughter of William and Elizabeth Frances (Dunbar) Brown, was born in Nicholas County in 1836.

Children of Joseph Alexander and Mary Jane (Brown) Backus.

- 49. (1). Madora Ann b.Aug 4 1861 d.Aur 10 1945
m.Luther Smith Bennett Sep 7 1885
- 50. (2). Joseph B.
- 51. (3). Theodosia
- 52. (4). Fielding
m.Ellie Eagle
- 53. (5). Arvina b.Jul 26 1887
- 54. (6). Sarah M.
- 55. (7). Pascal H. b.Apr 13 1874
- 56. (8). Adolphus E.
- 57. (9). John Raymond b. 1880
m.Bertha Alden Brown Feb 10 1900

17.ISAAC BACKUS 3.JOSEPH BACKUS JR. 1.JOSEPH BACKUS

Isaac Backus, a son of Joseph Jr. and Sarah "Sallie" (Brown) Backus, was born in 1841. He married Martha Malinda Hypes October 21, 1858. Martha Malinda, a daughter of Joseph and Susan (Keizer) Hypes, was born in VA about 1838.

Children of Isaac and Martha Malinda (Hypes) Backus.

- 58. (1). Weldon
- 59. (2). Sarah Ann b. 1859 d.Apr 1944
m.Garrett Minor Bennett
- 60. (3). James H. b.c. 1862
- 61. (4). Malissa b.c. 1864

34.ADAM CLARK BACKUS 13.HENRY A. BACKUS 3.JOSEPH BACKUS JR.
1.JOSEPH BACKUS

Adam Clark Backus, a son of Henry A. and Mary A. Backus, married Nancy (Dorsey) Lively. Nancy, a daughter of Arndew and Charity (Ftizwater) Dorsey, was born in Nicholas County VA in 1849. She was the widow of Bruce Lively.

His second wife was ----- McCutcheon.

Children of Adam Clark and Nancy (Dorsey) [Lively] Backus.

62. (1). John

63. (2). Gordon

64. (3). Martie

Children of Adam Clark and ----- (McCutcheon) Backus.

65. (1). Clide H.

66. (2). Minnie

67. (3). Jennie

68. (4). Vida

45.ALEXANDER BACKUS 14.BENJAMIN FRANKLIN BACKUS 3.JOSEPH BACKUS
JR. 1.JOSEPH BACKUS

Alexander Backus, a son of Benjamin Franklin and Albina (Dorsey)
Backus, married Madora Brock.

Children of Alexander and Madora (Brock) Backus.

69. (1). Samuel

70. (2). Haymond

71. (3). Marvin

72. (4). Benjamin

73. (5). Arthur H.
 m.Bessie Neff
 m.Mertie Backus

74. (6). Florence

73.ARTHUR H. BACKUS 45.ALEXANDER BACKUS 14.BENJAMIN FRANKLIN
BACKUS 3.JOSEPH BACKUS JR. 1.JOSEPH BACKUS

Arthur H. Backus, a son of Alexander and Madora (Brock) Backus,
married Bessie Neff. His second wife was Mertie Backus.

Children of Arthur H. and Bessie (Neff) Backus.

75. (1). Ezelle

76. (2). Ethel

Children of Arthur H. and Mertie (Badkus) Backus.

77. (1). Pat H.
 m.Noke Hart

78. (2). Roy
 m.Flora Foster

79. (3). Arthur H. Jr.
 m.Marilee Miller

80. (4). Ruth
 m.James Rhodes

77.PAT H. BACKUS 73.ARTHUR H. BACKUS 45.ALEXANDER BACKUS

14.BENJAMIN FRANKLIN BACKUS 3.JOSEPH BACKUS JR. 1.JOSEPH BACKUS

Pat H. Backus, a son of Arthur H. and Mertie (Badkus) Backus,
married "Noke" Hart.

Children of Pat H. and "Noke" (Hart) Backus.

81. (1). Patti

79.ARTHUR H. BACKUS JR. 73.ARTHUR H. BACKUS 45.ALEXANDER BACKUS
14.BENJAMIN FRANKLIN BACKUS 3.JOSEPH BACKUS JR. 1.JOSEPH BACKUS

Arthur H. backus Jr., a son of Arthur H. and Mertie (Badkus)
Backus, married Marilee Miller.

Children of Arthur H. Jr. and Marilee (Miller) Backus.

82. (1). Howard

83. (2). Harold

84. (3). Steve

85. (4). Janice

80.RUTH BACKUS 73.ARTHUR H. BACKUS 45.ALEXANDER BACKUS
14.BENJAMIN FRANKLIN BACKUS 3.JOSEPH BACKUS JR. 1.JOSEPH BACKUS

Ruth Backus, a daughter of Arthur H. and Mertie (Badkus) Backus,
married James Rhodes.

Children of James and Ruth (Backus) Rhodes.

86. (1). Barbara

87. (2). Bruce

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